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SUBJ: PORT DEVELOPMENT TSS, JANUARY 14-25, DOHA, TUNIS,
ALGIERS - PROGRAM FOR TUNIS

1. ADVANCE OFFICER BEHR AND EMBASSY STAFF HAVE COMPLETED ADVANCE WORK AND CONFIRMED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUBJECT TECHNICAL SALES SEMINAR (TSS) TUNIS. BEHR AND EMBOFFS MET WITH PORTS DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT NAANAA, WHO WILL SERVE AS LIAISON FOR OFFICE OF PORTS, TO REVIEW SEMINAR SCHEDULE AND OBTAIN HIS CONCURRENCE. FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS BEEN FORMALLY ADVISED OF SEMINAR BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE. PLANS INCLUDE EMBASSY BRIEFING FOR MISSION MEMBERS TO SET POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SCENE IN TUNISIA AND PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE PICTURE OF TUNISIAN PORT SITUATION AND OUTLOOK, A TOUR OF PORT OF LA GOULETTE (TUNIS), RECEPTION AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE AND SCHEDULED INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS, AS OUTLINED BELOW. ONE OR TWO "PEACE AND COMMERCE" MEDALS WILL BE PRESENTED AS APPROPRIATE. PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO MAXIMIZE MISSION MEMBERS' EXPOSURE TO SENIOR MANAGEMENT IN BOTH GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR. TSS SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:

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2. WEDNESDAY JANUARY 19:
MISSION ARRIVES TUNIS/CARTHAGE AIRPORT AT 1140 ABOARD FLIGHT TU 753 FROM ROME. MISSION WILL BE MET BY EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER MARSHALL CASSE AND WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO HOTEL AFRICA VIA RENTED BUS. EMBASSY CAR WILL BE AT DISPOSAL OF SEMINAR CHAIRMAN THROUGHOUT VISIT. SEVEN SINGLE RESERVATIONS

HOTEL AFRICA CONFIRMED, TO BE LOCATED SAME FLOOR AS CHAIRMAN'S SUITE, WHICH WILL ACCOMMODATE CHAIRMAN AND COORDINATOR. FOLLOWING GROUP LUNCH IN CHAIRMAN'S SUITE, MISSION WILL PROCEED VIA RENTED BUS TO LA BOULETTE, WHERE COURTESY CALL WILL BE MADE ON MR. MONGI KLAA, DIRECTOR, PORT OF LA GOULETTE, FOLLOWED BY TOUR OF PORT, THEN GROUP CALL ON MR. EZZEDDINE ABBASSI, PRESIDENT, DIRECTOR GENERAL, NATIONAL OFFICE OF PORTS. AT 1900 INFORMAL EMBASSY POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC BRIEFING WILL BE HELD IN CHAIRMAN'S SUITE. IN-DEPTH MARKET RESEARCH REPORT ON TUNISIAN PORTS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.

3. THURSDAY JANUARY 20:

0730 - COMMERCIAL BRIEFING, Q&A SESSION OVER BREAKFAST IN CHAIRMAN'S SUITE, CONDUCTED CTTQHCASSE

0830 - REGISTRATION (SEMINAR WILL BE HELD IN MEETING ROOM OF HOTEL AFRICA)

0900 - SEMINAR OPENING

0915 - CHAIRMAN'S PRESENTATION

0945 - FREDERICK R. HARRIS

1030 - COFFEE BREAK

1100 - ELLICOT

1145 - OIL MOP

1230 - 1500 - LUNCH

1500 - SPERRY

1630 - PACECO

1715 - SEMINAR CLOSING

1900 - BUFFET RECEPTION FOR MISSION MEMBERS AND SEMINAR

ATTENDEES AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

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NOTES: A) ALL MEMBERS OF THE MISSION WILL BE PRESENT DURING OPENING SESSION, CHAIRMAN'S PRESENTATION AND CLOSING SESSION. AT OTHER TIMES, MEMBERS WILL BE FREE TO HOLD INDIVIDUAL CONSULTATIONS IN THE BUSINESS INFORMATION CENTER (BIC) LOCATED IN THE CHAIRMAN'S SUITE. RECEPTIONISTS WILL BE STATIONED AT SEMINAR ROOM AND BIC; BOTH WILL BE ABLE TO ASSIST AS INTERPRETERS AS NEEDED; B) MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS ABDELHAMID SASSI HAS BEEN INVITED TO DELIVER OPENING REMARKS FOLLOWING WELCOMING STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR. CLOSING REMARKS ARE EXPECTED TO BE MADE BY MR. ABBASSI AND BY CHAIRMAN SOULES; C) TWO SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETERS HAVE BEEN CONTRACTED LOCALLY FOR SEMINAR. FOR ALGIERS: TUNIS WILL NOT RPT NO NEED SERVICES OF MRS. KEDDALI FOR THIS SEMINAR.

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4. FRIDAY JANUARY 21:
FULL DAY OF INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE
TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. TAXIS ARE TO BE USED FOR TRANSPORTATION
AS NEEDED, SUPPLEMENTED BY CHAIRMAN'S CAR AND RENTED
VEHICLE IF NECESSARY. SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATORS OF PREVIOUS
DAY ALONG WITH EMBASSY STAFF WILL PROVIDE INTERPRETING
SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS.

5. SATURDAY JANUARY 22:
MORNING RESERVED FOR INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS, AFTERNOON
FREE TO PREPARE FOR DEPARTURE.
1600 - CHECKOUT AND DEPART HOTEL AFRICA VIA EMBASSY VEHICLES
1745 - DEPART FOR ALGIERS VIA FLIGHT RB-355

6. BROCHURE MATERIAL IS WITH PRINTER, BUT BECAUSE OF HIS
HEAVY END OF YEAR ACTIVITY, WE WILL BE UNABLE TO TAKE DELIVERY
OF FINAL PRODUCT UNTIL JANUARY 10. REGRET INCONVENIENCE
TO ALGIERS BUT IMPOSSIBLE TO GET MATERIAL EARLIER. SEMINAR
PRESENTATIONS BEING TRANSLATED AND WILL BE REPRODUCED IN
TUNIS BY MIMEOGRAPH. 250 COPIES BROCHURES AND 75 COPIES
PRESENTATIONS WILL BE AIRPOUCHED DIRECTLY TO ALGIERS AS
SOON AS AVAILABLE. WILL SEND IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM WHEN
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POUCHES DISPATCHED.

7. PRELIMINARY BUDGET SEPTTEL.

8. IN FUTURE, RECOMMEND SEPARATE ADVANCE AND COORDINATING
TRIPS, AS COMPRESSION OF BOTH FUNCTIONS INTO ONE TRIP
DOES NOT PROVIDE SUFFICIENT LEAD TIME FOR A NUMBER OF
ADVANCE ARRANGEMENTS TO BE MADE BY COMMERCE DEPARTMENT
ADVANCE OFFICER, MEANING THAT EMBASSY MUST MAKE SUCH ARRANGEMENTS
PRIOR TO HIS ARRIVAL.
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